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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 8146**  
**BILL NUMBER: SB 579**

**DATE PREPARED:** Jan 18, 2001  
**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Fees for Motor Vehicle Records.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**     **GENERAL**  
                          **X DEDICATED**  
                          **FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State & Local

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill specifies that fees imposed to obtain a certified copy of a record from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) apply to law enforcement agencies and to agencies of government. It requires the Bureau of Motor Vehicles to give precedence to requests from law enforcement agencies and agencies of government for certified copies of records. The bill repeals provisions concerning certified abstracts of operating records.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2001.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** It is likely that there would be time saved by the elimination of the copying of operating records. The fund affected is the Motor Vehicle Highway Account which supports the BMV.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** For the BMV, the provisions of this bill will result in a reduction in revenue. The bill repeals the provision which allowed the BMV to charge \$4 for the certified abstracts of driving records. The fund affected is the Motor Vehicle Highway Account into which these fees are deposited. The number of requests and the revenue generated by the \$4 fee is not readily available. When these data become available, this part of the fiscal note will be updated.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Bureau of Motor Vehicles and other state government agencies, for example the State Police, and the Conservation and Excise Officers, who may request a certified copy of a record and a certified abstract of an operating record.

**Local Agencies Affected:** Local law enforcement agencies and other local government agencies.

**Information Sources:**